In the Claims:

Claims 1 and 7 (cancelled).

Claim 8 (previously presented) A composition for an affinity for somatostatin receptors comprising an amount of a compound of Claim 12 sufficient for said affinity and a pharmaceutical carrier.

Cancel Claim 9.

Claims 10 and 11 (cancelled).

Claim 12. (currently amended) A compound of the formula:

wherein

-R₂ is
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array}$$
 and R₅ is

-R₂ is
$$CH_3$$

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3

and
$$R_5$$
 is

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3

and
$$R_5$$
 is

and
$$R_5$$
 is

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3

and
$$R_5$$
 is O_2N

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3 CH_3

and R_5 is

and R₅ is

and R_5 is

-
$$R_2$$
 is CH_3

and R₅ is

-R₂ is
$$CH_3$$
 CH_3

- $\mathbf{R_2}$ is

and R₅ is

- R_2 is CH_3

and R₅ is

-R₂ is

and R_5 is

$$-R_2$$
 is
$$-R_2$$
 is
$$-R_2$$

-R
$$_2$$
 is
$$\qquad \qquad \text{and } R_5 \text{ is}$$

$$-R_2 \text{ is} \qquad \qquad \text{and } R_5 \text{ is} \qquad \overset{\text{F}}{\smile} \overset{\text{F}}{\smile}$$

-R₂ is

and R₅ is

R₂ is



and R₅ is

-R₂ is

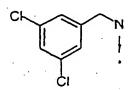


and R₅ is

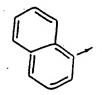
-R₂ is



and R₅ is

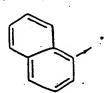


-R₂ is



and R₅ is

-R₂ is



and R₅ is

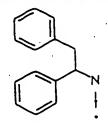
-R₂ is



-R₂ is



and R_5 is



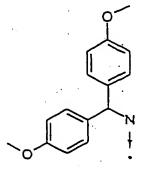
-R₂ is

and R₅ is

-R₂ is



and R₅ is



-R₂ is

or

and R₅ is

-R₂



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$$R_2$$
 is H_3 C and R_5 is $-NH-CH$ and R_5 is $-NH-CH$ and R_5 is $-NH-CH$ and R_5 is $-NH-CH$ and its

it being understood that the nitrogen atom in formula (I) could be NH_2 or a nitrile and that the nitrogen atom in the R_5 groups is NH and its pharmaceutically acceptable salt.

Claim 13. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 12 wherein R_2 is H_3C and R_5 is H_3C CH_3

Cla: m 14. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 12 wherein R_2 is H_3C and R_5 is CH_3